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REMARKS

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1. At 3:30 p.m. on 27 July 1953, 16 T-34 tanks, 1 radio truck, 1 field kitchen and an undetermined number of trucks [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM

[REDACTED] were entrained at the Wolmirstedt railroad station. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Escorting personnel wore red-bordered black epaulets.¹

2. On 29 July, 9 x 300-mm rocket launchers [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM

2 boxcarloads of ammunition, 25 trucks [REDACTED] and about 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, were entrained at the Rathenow-Nord railroad station. The unit had come from the Kraftfahrer Kaserne.²

3. On 30 July, 6 x 300-mm rocket launchers [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM

[REDACTED] and 3 trucks, [REDACTED] were detrained at the Dallgow railroad station and subsequently left for the Adler Kaserne.³

4. At about 2 p.m. on 28 July, 8 factory-new canvas-covered rocket launchers

[REDACTED] believed [REDACTED] 132-mm rocket launchers; 4 field kitchens, and sedan [REDACTED] were detrained in Dallgow-Doeberitz and subsequently left for Neues Lager.⁴ 50X1-HUM

5. Unloadings observed at the Dallgow railroad station between 28 July and 1 August included:

28 July. Six x132-rocket launchers [REDACTED] from 1 converted boxcar and 6 flatcars, which had arrived from Frankfurt/Oder-border. 50X1-HUM

30 July. About 25 trucks, 16 x 122-mm field howitzers, and about 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets from 18 converted boxcars, 34 flatcars and 1 boxcar, which had arrived from the direction of Forst Zinna, at about 1 a.m.

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About 25 trucks, 16 x 120-mm mortars and about 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets from 14 converted boxcars, 28 flatcars and 2 boxcars, which had arrived from the direction of Jueterbog-Altes Lager, at about 3 a.m.

About 10 trucks, 6 x 132-mm rocket launchers and about 60 to 70 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets from 4 converted boxcars, 17 flatcars and 1 boxcar, which had arrived from the direction of Forst Zinna, at about 4 a.m. 3

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1 August. Eighteen armored personnel carriers and troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets from 14 gondola cars, 2 flatcars and 1 converted boxcar, which had arrived from the direction of Frankfurt/Oder-border, at about 8 a.m. [redacted]

6. At about 9:30 a.m. on 22 July, a column of about 30 trucks, 1 field kitchen, 3 to 4 motorcycles and several armored scout cars [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] passed through Kremmen. At about 4 p.m. [redacted] on 27 July, a shipment of 6 rocket launchers [redacted] about 30 trucks, [redacted] 3 to 4 jeeps, 1 field kitchen and 10 boxcarloads of troops passed through Kremmen, proceeding toward Nauener. 5
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7. At about 4:20 p.m. on 29 July, 9 x100-mm AT guns, 10 prime movers, 7 boxcarloads of troops, 1 field kitchen and about 10 trucks [redacted] were entrained at the Zehdenick railroad station, leaving toward Loewenberg. 5
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8. Between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. on 26 July, a train without engine, carrying 9 [redacted] rocket launchers, 15 railroad carloads of ammunition and baggage, 15 boxcarloads of troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and 30 soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets with air force insignia, was seen at the Koenigswusterhausen railroad station. 4
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1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] tank units of the 20th 50X1-HUM
Gds Mecz Div were entrained. They probably were tank firing details of the division which, according to reports on transportation, went from Jena to Wolmirstedt on 20 July [redacted] 50X1-HUM
2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the units, according to weapons and barracks installation, can be identified as belonging to the 25th RL Brig which [redacted] probably transferred to Altengrabow for firing practices. 50X1-HUM
3. [redacted] Comment. The return of the units of the 283d (?) Gds How Arty Regt, the 294th Mort Regt (US) and the 41st RL Bn (US) of the 1st Mecz Div, [redacted] which, on 24 July, had been entrained for Jueterbog, had previously been indicated [redacted] 50X1-HUM
The RL battalion, however, had been carried in Altes Lager and not in the Adler Kaserne.
4. [redacted] Comment. Probably arrival from the USSR of factory-new rocket launchers. Between 22 and 24 July, three shipments of rocket launchers entered the Soviet Zone of Germany via Frankfurt/Oder. Sedan [redacted] belongs to the 50X1-HUM
1st Mecz Div.

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5.  Comment. On 27 July, a rocket launcher unit of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army may have transferred to Altengrabow for firing practices. The

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 is new. 
6. Comment.  the shipment went to Altengrabow 

 The entrained units  presumably belong to the Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

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